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APPLIED TO THE ATTRIBUTES OF
A SET OF OBJECTS

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED ON FEBRUARY 4, 2004

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on February 4, 2004 (paper no. 14), please enter this response and consider the amended claims in the application for reasons discussed below. Although Applicant believes that no additional fees are due in connection with this response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782/AUTO 0034 for any fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.

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PATENT APPLICATION FEE DETERMINATION RECORD

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CLAIMS AS AMENDED - PART II

AMENDMENT	(Column 1) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		Minus	(Column 2) HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR		PRESENT EXTRA
	*			**		
Total	*	20	Minus	**	20	=
Independent	*	4	Minus	***	3	=
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM <input type="checkbox"/>						

SMALL ENTITY		OR	OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY	
RATE	ADDI- TIONAL FEE		RATE	ADDI- TIONAL FEE
X\$ 9=		OR	X\$18=	
X43=		OR	X86=	78
+140=		OR	+280=	
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE		OR	TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	838

AMENDMENT	(Column 1) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		Minus	(Column 2) HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR		PRESENT EXTRA
	*			**		
Total	*	20	Minus	**	20	=
Independent	*	4	Minus	***	4	=
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM <input type="checkbox"/>						

SMALL ENTITY		OR	OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY	
RATE	ADDI- TIONAL FEE		RATE	ADDI- TIONAL FEE
X\$ =		OR	X\$ =	
X =		OR	X =	
+ =		OR	+ =	
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE		OR	TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	

AMENDMENT	(Column 1) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		Minus	(Column 2) HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR		PRESENT EXTRA
	*			**		
Total	*	20	Minus	**	20	=
Independent	*	4	Minus	***	4	=
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM <input type="checkbox"/>						

SMALL ENTITY		OR	OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY	
RATE	ADDI- TIONAL FEE		RATE	ADDI- TIONAL FEE
X\$ =		OR	X\$ =	
X =		OR	X =	
+ =		OR	+ =	
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE		OR	TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	

AMENDMENT	(Column 1) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		Minus	(Column 2) HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR		PRESENT EXTRA
	*			**		
Total	*	23	Minus	**	20	= 2
Independent	*	4	Minus	***	4	=
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM <input type="checkbox"/>						

SMALL ENTITY		OR	OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY	
RATE	ADDI- TIONAL FEE		RATE	ADDI- TIONAL FEE
X\$ =		OR	X\$ =	3600
X =		OR	X =	
+ =		OR	+ =	
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE		OR	TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	3600

- * If the entry in column 1 is less than the entry in column 2, write "0" in column 3.
 - ** If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, enter "20."
 - ***If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 3, enter "3."
- The "Highest Number Previously Paid For" (Total or Independent) is the highest number found in the appropriate box in column 1.

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CLAIMS AS FILED - PART I

	(Column 1)	(Column 2)
FOR	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA
BASIC FEE		
TOTAL CLAIMS	20 minus 20 = *	
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	4 minus 3 = *	1
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENT		

* If the difference in column 1 is less than zero, enter "0" in column 2

CLAIMS AS AMENDED - PART II

	(Column 1)	(Column 2)	(Column 3)
AMENDMENT A	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
Total	* 22	Minus ** 20	= 2
Independent	* 4	Minus *** 1	=
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM			

	(Column 1)	(Column 2)	(Column 3)
AMENDMENT B	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
Total	*	Minus **	=
Independent	*	Minus ***	=
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM			

	(Column 1)	(Column 2)	(Column 3)
AMENDMENT C	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
Total	*	Minus **	=
Independent	*	Minus ***	=
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM			

* If the entry in column 1 is less than the entry in column 2, write "0" in column 3.

** If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, enter "20."

*** If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 3, enter "3."

The "Highest Number Previously Paid For" (Total or Independent) is the highest number found in the appropriate box in column 1.

SMALL ENTITY TYPE ☐ OR

OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY

RATE	FEE		RATE	FEE
	380.00	OR		760.00
X\$ 9=		OR	X\$18=	
X39=		OR	X78=	23
+130=		OR	+260=	
TOTAL		OR	TOTAL	838

SMALL ENTITY OR

OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE		RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X\$ 9=		OR	X\$18=	36.00
X39=		OR	X78=	
+130=		OR	+260=	
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE		OR	TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE		RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X\$ 9=		OR	X\$18=	
X39=		OR	X78=	
+130=		OR	+260=	
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE		OR	TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE		RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X\$ 9=		OR	X\$18=	
X39=		OR	X78=	
+130=		OR	+260=	
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE		OR	TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	